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# **Uzbekistan, Republic of**

## **Grain and Feed**

### **Wheat Update**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

**Uzbekistan's MY 2002/03 wheat production forecast has been increased to 4.8 million metric tons. Imports are forecast to decrease to 250,000 metric tons.**

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Includes PSD changes: Yes  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
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## PRODUCTION:

According to the preliminary official figures, Uzbekistan's MY 2002/03 wheat production is estimated at 4.8 million metric tons (MMT). This is almost 1.4 MMT above last year's production. This production increase is mainly attributed to very favorable spring rainfall.

According to the Ministry of Macroeconomics and Statistics, the target area for grains in MY 2003/04 will be increased by 149,000 hectares (12 %) to 1.39 million hectares. Irrigated area is expected to increase by 41,000 hectares, while non-irrigated fields will increase by 108,000 hectares .

The Government of Uzbekistan (GOU) maintains a state order for 25 percent of the domestic crop at a price well below world price levels. Prices for the next 25 percent of actual production are to be negotiated between the GOU and farmers. Finally, according to the May 21, 2002, resolution on grain issued by the Cabinet of Ministers at the behest of the IMF, farmers will be allowed to sell the remaining 50 percent of their actual wheat harvest to private buyers at market prices.

**Table 1: Wheat Production, Supply and Demand**

PSD Table						
Country	Uzbekistan, Republic of					
Commodity	Wheat				(1000 HA)(1000 MT)	
	Revised	2000	Preliminary	2001	Forecast	2002
	Old	New	Old	New	Old	New
Market Year Begin		07/2000		07/2001		07/2002
Area Harvested	1200	1182	1200	1180	1200	1200
Beginning Stocks	500	500	500	500	550	475
Production	3600	3600	3400	3375	4700	4800
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Imports	550	600	800	700	300	250
Jul-Jun Imports	550	600	800	700	300	250
Jul-Jun Import U.S.	0	50	0	0	0	30
TOTAL SUPPLY	4650	4700	4700	4575	5550	5525
TOTAL Mkt. Yr. Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jul-Jun Exports	0	0	0	0	0	0
Feed Dom. Consumption	650	700	650	700	800	800
TOTAL Dom. Consumption	4150	4200	4150	4100	4850	4825
Ending Stocks	500	500	550	475	700	700
TOTAL DISTRIBUTION	4650	4700	4700	4575	5550	5525

## TRADE:

Based on production estimates, Uzbekistan's MY 2002/03 wheat import forecast has been decreased to 250,000 MT.

Kazakhstan is expected to remain the main supplier of wheat.